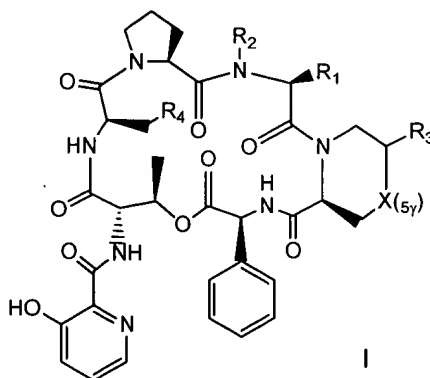


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

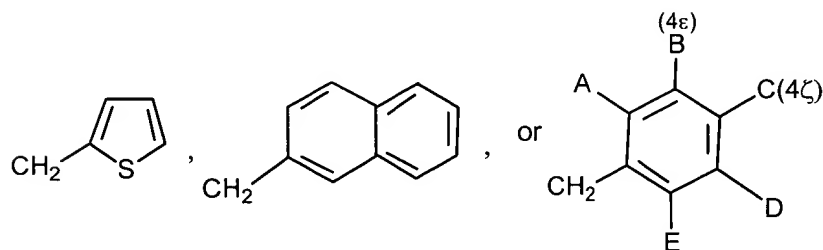
Without prejudice or disclaimer, this listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

30. (Previously Presented) A compound of formula I



wherein:

- R₂ and R₄ are, independently of each other, a hydrogen atom or a methyl group;
- R₃ is a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group;
- X is a CO, CHOH or CH₂ group; and
- R₁ is:



- for meta derivatives:

A, C, D, and E each is a hydrogen atom, and B is:

- a halogen,
 - a monoalkylamino or dialkylamino group,
 - an ether group,
 - a thioether group,
 - a C₁ to C₃ alkyl group, or
 - a trihalogenomethyl group,
- for para derivatives:

A, B, D, and E each is a hydrogen atom, and C is:

- a halogen,
- an NR₁R₂ group, wherein R₁ and R₂ each is, independently of one another, a group selected from
 - hydrogen,
 - a straight-chain or branched C₁ to C₄ alkyl group wherein if one of the substituents R₁ or R₂ is a methyl group, the other necessarily is an ethyl group,
 - an alkyl-cycloalkylmethyl group, wherein said cycloalkyl is a C₃ to C₄ cycloalkyl,
 - a substituted or unsubstituted C₃ to C₄ cycloalkyl group,
 - a straight-chain or branched C₂ to C₄ alkenyl group,wherein if one of the substituents R₁ to R₂ is an alkenyl group, the other is not a methyl group and is not a C₃ to C₆ cycloalkyl group,
- a substituted or unsubstituted N-pyrrolidinyl group,
- an ether group,

- a thioether group,
- an acyl or alkoxycarbonyl group,
- a C₁ to C₆ alkyl group, wherein said alkyl group is straight-chain or

branched,

- an alkythiomethyl group,
- an aryl group,

or

- a trihalogenomethyl group, and
- for meta-para disubstituted derivatives:

A, D, and E each is a hydrogen atom, and B is:

- a halogen,
- a monoalkylamino or dialkylamino group,
- an ether group
- a thioether group,
- a C₁ to C₃ alkyl group, and

C is:

- a halogen,
- an amino, monoalkylamino or dialkylamino group, with the proviso

that B is not a bromine atom, a chlorine atom, or a substituted or unsubstituted allyl group,

- an ether group,
- a thioether group,
- a C₁ to C₆ alkyl group, or

- a trihalogenomethyl group, and
- for ortho-para disubstituted derivatives:

B, E, and D each is a hydrogen atom, and A and C each is a methyl group.

31. (Presently Amended) A compound according to claim 30, wherein said compound is ~~at least one of~~ chosen from:

4ζ-methylthio-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-methyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-methoxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-methoxycarbonyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-chloro-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-bromo-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-iodo-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-trifluoromethyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-tert-butyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-isopropyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ε-methylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-ethylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-diethylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-allylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-diallylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A; and
4ζ-allylethylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A.

32. (Presently Amended) A compound according to claim 30, wherein said compound is ~~at least one of~~ chosen from:

4ζ-ethylpropylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-ethylisopropylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-ethylmethylcyclopropylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-(1pyrrolidinyl)-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-trifluoromethoxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-allyloxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-ethoxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-ethylthio-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-methylthiomethyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-(2-chloroethoxy)-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-acetyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ζ-ethyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ε-dimethylamino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ε-methylthio-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A; and
4ε-ethoxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A.

33. (Presently Amended) A compound according to claim 30, wherein said compound is ~~at least one of~~ chosen from:

4ζ-methylthio-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H;
5γ-hydroxy-4ζ-methylthio-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H;
4ζ-methyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H;

4ζ-bromo-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H;
4ζ-iodo-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H;
4ζ-trifluoromethyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H;
4ε-methoxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H; and
4ζ-ethyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_H.

34. (Presently Amended) A compound according to claim 30, wherein said compound is ~~at least one of~~ chosen from:

4ζ-isopropyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_E;
4ε-methoxy-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A;
4ε-fluoro 4ζ-methyl-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A; and
4ζ-amino-de(4ζ-dimethylamino)pristinamycin I_A.

35. (Presently Amended) A compound, wherein said compound is ~~at least one of~~ chosen from:

4-trifluoromethoxyphenylalanine;
3-methylaminophenylalanine;
3-methylthiophenylalanine;
3-fluoro-4-methylphenylalanine;
4-methylaminophenylpyruvic acid;
3-ethoxyphenylalanine;
4-allylaminophenylalanine;
4-diallylaminophenylalanine;

4-allylethylaminophenylalanine;
4-ethylpropylaminophenylalanine;
4-ethylisopropylaminophenylalanine;
4-ethylmethylcyclopropylaminophenylalanine;
4-(1-pyrrolidiny)phenylalanine;
4-ethylthiomethylphenylalanine;
4-O-(2-chloroethyl)tyrosine;
3-dimethylaminophenylalanine; and
3-ethylaminophenylalanine.

36. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising at least one compound according to claim 30 and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

37. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising at least one compound according to claim 31 and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

38. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising at least one compound according to claim 32 and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

39. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising at least one compound according to claim 33 and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

40. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising at least one compound according to claim 34 and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable excipient.

41. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 36, further comprising a Group A streptogramin.

42. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 37, further comprising a Group A streptogramin.

43. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 38, further comprising a Group A streptogramin.

44. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 39, further comprising a Group A streptogramin.

45. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 40, further comprising a Group A streptogramin.

46. Cancelled.

47. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta derivatives, B is fluorine.

48. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta derivatives, B is a methyl or ethyl group.

49. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta derivatives, B is a trifluoromethyl group.

50. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for para derivatives, at least one of R_1 and R_2 is a methyl, isopropyl, or tert-butyl group.

51. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for para derivatives, at least one of R_1 and R_2 is a trifluoromethyl group.

52. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta-para disubstituted derivatives, B is fluorine.

53. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta-para disubstituted derivatives, B is a methyl or ethyl group.

54. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta-para disubstituted derivatives, C is fluorine.

55. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta-para disubstituted derivatives, C is a methyl amino or diakylamino group, wherein at least one of the alkyl groups of the diakylamino group is a methyl group, and B is not a bromine atom, a chlorine atom, or a substituted or unsubstituted allyl group.

56. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for meta-para disubstituted derivatives, C is a trifluoromethyl group.

57. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 30, wherein, for para derivatives, at least one of R_1 and R_2 is a phenyl group.